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In Re Application of:

COIT et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1648

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Examiner: S. Chen

Title: NOVEL HCV NON-STRUCTURAL POLYPEPTIDE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested.

- X Two months from June 22, 2004 to August 22, 2004. The extension fee of \$420 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

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